is levying professional tax on Government employees whose incomes are Rs. 200 p.m. and more according to Corporation Act, 1949;

- (b) when the ceiling was fixed,
- (c) the cost of Living Index for Bangalore in the year the ceiling was fixed and the cost of Living Index this year;
- (d) whether they intend considering the exclusion of Government officials for the levy of tax and issue a direction to Corporation to raise the minimum for levy of Tax to Rs. 300 in the case of other employees?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Self-Government)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) In October, 1950.
- (c) 316.5—In the year 1950. 433.9—In the year 1960 (for the month of January, 1960).
- (d) Government do not intend to exclude Government officials from the levy of this tax; but the Bangalore City Corporation has been requested to consider the question of raising the limit from Rs. 200 to Rs. 300 for levy of tax in view of the representations received from Government employees.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Self-Government) .- I beg to lay on the Table :

Notification No. LLH 11 GCE 58 dated 11th December 1959, making rules for the election of President and Vice-Presidetn to the Municipal and Town Committecs under section 309 (2) (i) of the Hyderabad District Municipalities Act, 1956, as in force in the Hyderabad area.

BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1960-61.-

DEMANDS FOR GRANTS.

Demand No. 14-General Administration (State Legislature and Election Charges)

25. General Administration (B. Parliament and the Legislature and C. Election Charges.)

Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister) .-Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Mysore, I beg to move:

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 30,13,200 be granted to the Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st day of March 1961, in respect of 'General Administration (State Legislature and Election Charges) '.

Mr. SPEAKER .- Motion moved :

"That a sum not exceeding Rs. 30,13,200 be granted to the Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st day of March 1961, in respect of 'General Administration (State Legislature and Election Charges)'."

I would like to inform the House that not only Demand No. 14 but other Demands, viz., 13, 15, 16 and 17 are also before the House. The Hon'ble Members may make remarks in respect of these Demands also. I would like to know from the Hon'ble members whether it will not be desirable to put a time limit on the speeches. It has been our experience that in course of time many members would like to speak but might get no chance. In order to avoid that contingency, I would like to take action under Rule 196 which says:

"The Speaker may, in cases not specifically provided for in the rules and having regard to the state of business before the Assault embly and the nature of the